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## VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS

Mr. Michael McAteer  
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**Re: Sauget Sites Area I – January 21, 1999 Administrative Order by Consent  
May 5, 1999 Update re Access Agreements**

Dear Mike:

Solutia is continuing to make progress on obtaining access to properties involved in the field work for the EE/CA and RI/FS. On April 21, 1999, you granted Solutia an extension for obtaining access to May 19, 1999. Since the submission of our last status report, dated April 19, 1999, Solutia has obtained three (3) more executed agreements, and is currently negotiating with sixteen (16) other property owners for access. Many of these property owners are amenable to signing the agreements as long as they are provided with additional information concerning the required testing/sampling to be performed on their particular properties. Other property owners are negotiating for the inclusion of additional provisions in their access agreements. Solutia continues to respond to the property owners' requests for information, and is actively negotiating with some of the property owners' attorneys in making minor revisions to the access agreements.

Although we are optimistic that many of our negotiations will result in signed agreements, we anticipate requesting EPA's assistance to obtain access to some of the properties. In addition, there are a number of property owners from whom we have received no response. We anticipate needing EPA's assistance for access to these properties as well.


Attached is a summary of the status of access for the properties involved in the EE/CA and RI/FS. If you have any questions, please call me at the above number. We will continue to work to secure access through the May 19, 1999 deadline.

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Very truly yours,

Thompson Coburn LLP

By   
Colleen E. Michuda

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Enclosure

cc: D. Michael Light (w/encl.)  
Thomas Martin (w/encl.)

**Access Agreement Status Summary**  
**Current as of 5/4/99**

**I. Properties for which we have signed access agreements**

- James Hankins, G4
- Richard Stillman, CSB5
- Doris Tolbird, H1
- Thomas Owen, M1, M2, M4, M5, M8, M9, M10, M11, M14
- Edkar Lane, M3
- Virgil Hallberg, CSE2
- Amrut & Sita Patel, CSC7

**II. Properties in negotiation where signed agreement is likely**

- Alton & Southern Railroad, CSA2, I3
- Cerro Copper Products Company, CSA1, I1, I2, G1
- Moto, Inc., G6, CSB1, CSB2
- Sterling Steel Foundry, Inc. (Industrial Gas Products – lessee), Site J
- Metro Construction Equipment, Inc. (Tony Lechner), L1
- Ruan Transportation Co., L4, L6
- Barry Black, N1
- Pitzman School, CSC21
- Paul Sauget, CSF36
- Union Electric Co., CSF11, CSF14, CSF20, CSF21

**III. Properties in negotiation where EPA assistance may be required**

- Harold Wiese, G2, G3
- L. Keeley Paving & Construction Co., L5
- Lawrence Keeley, L3
- Anheuser-Busch, Inc., CSF12, CSF15-19, CSF23-25
- Mobil Oil Corp., N2
- Rogers Cartage, adjacent to Site H

**IV. Properties not in negotiation where EPA assistance may be required**

- Albert Lauman, CSB6
- J. Gish Jr. & Lucia Johnson, CSF29
- Donald Frailey, CSF30
- Dave Thomas<sup>1</sup>, N1
- Parks College, CSE20, CSE38, CSE39
- Village of Cahokia, CSF1-4, CSF6-7
- Metro East Sanitary District, CSF8, CSF 26-28, CSF31-35, CSF41

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<sup>1</sup> In March 1999, he had agreed to sign, but Solutia has not received a response to our April 19, 1999 letter.